

AGRICULTURAL FAIRS.

During 1879, fairs were held by the Agricultural Society, the Roanoke and Tar River Agricultural Association, the Cumberland Agricultural Society, the Carolina Fair Association, the Dixie Agricultural Association, the Sampson Agricultural Society, the Guilford Agricultural Society, (which also holds an annual Fruit Fair,) the Randolph Agricultural Society, and one in Alamance county. The Colored Industrial Association also held its first annual fair.

This year, fairs were held by the North Carolina Agricultural Society, the Roanoke and Tar River Agricultural Association, the Cumberland Agricultural Society, the Dixie Agricultural Association, the Randolph Agricultural Society, the Poplar Tent Fair, and other smaller societies, and a second Industrial Fair was held by the colored people of Raleigh.

Taking these exhibitions as tests of our agricultural condition, there can be no two opinions, but that progress of a wholesome kind can be reported.

Under resolutions of the Board, exhibitions of the collections in the Agricultural Museum were made at the two last annual State Fairs. They were pronounced good by the public and were leading features on both occasions.